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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Doctor Lederberg:

In answer to your letter of May 29 concerning Dr. Dorfman's proposal, Dr. Jervis made a site visit on April 9 to the Worcester Foundation in order to discuss with Dr. Dorfman some details of his proposal, particularly with respect to the need for an adequate supply of blood from young mothers of mongolian children. The visit resulted in complete agreement and shortly after Dr. Dorfman was notified that his proposal had been accepted.

Concerning Dr. Irena Koprowska's study, Dr. Jervis (who for the past 14 years has been a frequent collaborator of Dr. Hilary Koprowski, her husband) made a site visit on April 25 to Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia. This coincided with the site visit of a Committee of the NIH. There was a general discussion of possible cooperation between Dr. Dorfman and Dr. Koprowska's investigations. It was, in fact, agreed that the subjects of Dr. Dorfman's chemical study will be examined also by Dr. Koprowska from a cytological point of view, - this, of course, if the NIH supports the study at Hahnemann. We hope in this manner to have the problem of mongolism attacked by two sides. The impression was that the NIH Committee, although naturally non-committal, looked with favor on this program.

I should have written to you before about the gratifying developments, but I knew you were in Japan until the end of May. Mrs. Shriver and I deeply appreciate your continuous interest in the activities of the Kennedy Foundation.

With our best wishes for your program at Stanford,

Sincerely,



Robert Sargent Shriver, Jr.
Executive Director

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